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FOR ASST. SEC. TODMAN FROM AMBASSADOR VAKY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PFOR, VE, US
SUBJECT: REQUESTS TO SEE YOU

1. IN ADDITION TO PRESIDENT BETANCOURT'S REQUEST TO PAY HIS RESPECTS ON MRS. CARTER (CARACAS 5496), THE EX-PRESIDENT HAS ASKED TO MEET SEPARATELY WITH YOU. HE IS, AS YOU KNOW, IN THE PROCESS OF WRITING HIS BOOK AND SAID HE WANTED TO GET A "BRIEFING" FROM YOU AS TO THE PRESENT SITUATION IN LATIN AMERICA ESPECIALLY ON HUMAN RIGHTS. HE HAS INVITED YOU TO HAVE BREAKFAST WITH HIM SATURDAY MORNING, JUNE 12.

2. I BELIEVE IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO MEET WITH PRESIDENT BETANCOURT; IN ANY CASE, IT WOULD BE FAIRLY HARD FOR US TO REFUSE. WOULD YOU BE AGREEABLE TO BREAKFAST? IF NOT, PERHAPS WE CAN ARRANGE A MEETING SOME TIME DURING SATURDAY MORNING. THE VISIT SCHEDULE WOULD SEEMINGLY PERMIT THIS.

3. FOREIGN MINISTER ESCOVAR WILL ALSO WANT TO CHAT WITH YOU BUT HE HAS NOT YET FIXED ANY SPECIFIC TIME. I BELIEVE SATURDAY MORNING MIGHT BE USEFUL OR PERHAPS A CONVERSATION ASIDE DURING THE DINNER SATURDAY
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EVENING. I WILL LET YOU KNOW.

4. AMBASSADOR NAVA CARRILLO, WHOM YOU KNEW IN COSTA RICE AND WHO PRESENTLY IS THE DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL POLICY AT THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN RELATIONS, SAID HE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO CHAT WITH YOU PRESUMABLY OVER OLD TIMES, ALTHOUGH HE MAY ALSO WANT TO

BRING UP ONE OR TWO SUBSTANTIVE ITEMS. THIS WE WILL
TRY TO WORK IN PERHAPS ALSO SATURDAY MORNING.
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